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In re Application of

FAIRCLOTH et al.

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed Dec. 9, 2005, please find attached a 37 CFR 1.131 Affidavit swearing back of U.S. Patent 6,941,601 B2 to DeBartolo et al. U.S. Patent 6,941,601 B2 to DeBartolo et al. was applied as a base reference for each of the 35 U.S.C. § 103 rejections of claims 1-2, 4-10, 14-18, 21, 23-32, and 34. Applicants do not acquiesce to rejections under DeBartolo et al. and accompanying references. Applicants are claiming patentably distinct subject matter from the claims of DeBartolo et al. The effective filing date of